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SUBJECT: PHASE II EVALUATION OF ACCELERATED IMPACT PROGRAM (AIP)

REF: STATE 310421

1. PER PARA 4, REFTTEL, MILLER ABLE TO PARTICIPATE ONLY ON
CONDITION OF LIMITED TIME AVAILABILITY. MONTH OF JANUARY HAS
HEAVY SCHEDULE FOR ADO/NIAMEY STAFF INCLUDING PREPARATION
FOR GON/AID BILATERAL TALKS, NIGER CEREALS PP REVISION,
PEANUT SEED PROCESSING AND STORAGE DESIGN TEAM VISIT AND
TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY STUDY OF CWS OPG PROJECT PROPOSAL.
THIS COUPLED WITH MILLER ATTENDANCE AT ABIDJAN DESIGN CONFER-
ENCE WEEK OF JANUARY 24-28. MILLER
PARTICIPATION IN SUBJECT EVALUATION WOULD THUS REQUIRE THAT
WRAP-UP SESSION BE HELD IN NIAMEY, JANUARY 18-20. THIS
COULD BE ACCOMMODATED BY DAKAR/BAMAKO/OUAGA/NIAMEY
AIR AFRIQUE FLIGHT ON JANUARY 18 WHICH WOULD PROVIDE DIRECT
CONNECTION TO TEAM MEMBERS FROM ALL OTHER COUNTRIES
BEING VISITED (EXCEPTION OF CHAD).

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2. GIVEN LOGISTICS OF AIR TRAVEL AND TIME FRAME, DO NOT SEE
HOW ONE DAY SESSION PRIOR TO EVALUATION COULD BE SCHEDULED.
EVALUATION VIST TO NDJAMENA COULD ALSO PRESENT PROBLEMS FOR
REGULAR TEAM MEMDIRS GIVEN DIFFICULT AIRLINE CONNCETIONS.
SUGGEST IT MIGHT BE MORE PRACTICAL FOR CDO/NDJAMENA
STAFF MEMBER TO JOIN EVALUATION AT WRAP-UP SESSION.

3. IF ABOVE PROPOSAL ACCEPTABLE TO AID/W, MILLER COULD PLAN TO VISIT OUAGADOUGOU FOR TWO DAYS (TENTATIVELY JANUARY 10-11) FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES AND THEN MEET OTHER TEAM MEMBERS IN NIAMEY ON JANUARY 18. REQUEST AID/W ADVISE ASAP.

4. IF SER/COM TEAM MEMBER NOT YET SELECTED, RECOMMEND THAT PAUL HAZUR WOULD BE APPROPRIATE CHOICE GIVEN HIS ACTIVE PARTICIPATION EARLIER R&R PROCEDURES AND INVOLVEMENT IN DESIGN OF PRESENT AIP RPOCEDURES.

5. REQUEST THAT COPIES OF PHASE I REPORT BE POUCHED ASAP. ALSO ADVISE IF PHASE I RECOMMENDATIONS ARE FINAL OR IF FURTHER MODIFICATIONS CAN BE MADE BASED ON FIELD INPUT. SYNODIS

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